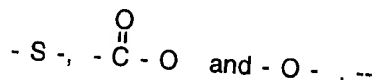
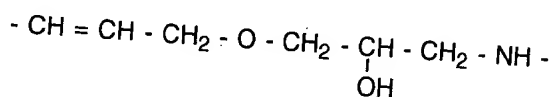
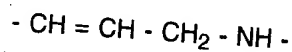
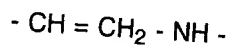
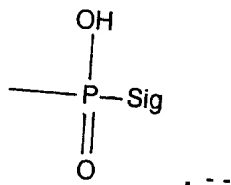


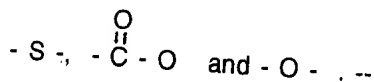
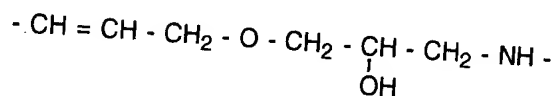
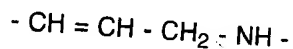
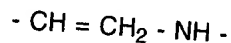
-- 260. (New) The nucleotide of claim 204 wherein said chemical linkage comprises or includes an olefinic bond at the β -position relative to P, or any of the moieties:



① -- 261. (New) The oligo- or polynucleotide of claim 236 wherein said covalent attachment comprises:



-- 262. (New) The oligo- or polynucleotide of claim 236 wherein said chemical linkage comprises or includes an olefinic bond at the β -position relative to P, or any of the moieties:



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